DISTRICT REPORTS.

8. Markets how supplied.

9. Progress of agricultural operations, state of standing crops, prospects and probable outturn of harvests, serious damage done to crops by insects or other natural calamities.

10. Prospects of season; tracts in which the rainfall has been insufficient, areas affected by scarcity number of people under relief, and state of food stocks.

11. Public health.

12. Remarks as to the condition of agricultural stock, failure of pasturage, of fodder, etc.

BANGALORE CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION.

		Normal.	*Current.*
Prices of food grains—Rice	...	... 10 to 11	7 to 7½
Ragi	...	... 25 to 30	17 to 18

Cattle in good condition.

Water and fodder sufficient.

BANGALORE CITY AND TALUKS.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Standing crops are in good condition in taluks where there has been rain during the week. In others they are showing signs of withering. Rain is badly wanted throughout the district.

10. Rain has been insufficient throughout the district.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water and fodder available for the present. Scarcity is beginning to be felt in Hoskote, Dodballapur and Magadi.

KOLAR.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. Crops already sown such as ragi, avare, togari, etc., are withering for want of rain in Kolar, Bowringpet, Chintamani, Mulbagal, Sidlaghatta, Malur and Srinivaspur. Some lands still lie waste without being ploughed.

10. Prospects of the season very discouraging. Rain is persistently holding off and much anxiety is felt. Food stocks are available. Landless classes are feeling the pressure.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Fodder is getting scanty throughout the district. Cattle are being fed on leaves and have fallen off in condition. In parts of Mulbagal "*Chappe*" disease is prevalent. Water is generally available, but supply is running short.

TUMKUR.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Sugar-cane in Gubbi and Kunigal are being harvested. Ragi in Tumkur; and ragi, avare, togari, castor and wild gingelly in Kunigal are being sown. Standing crops such as ragi, avare, togari, cholum, castor, save, navane, punaji paddy, gingelly, haraka, green gram, etc., are reported to be withering for want of rain in all the taluks. It is reported that in some parts of Gubbi, some damage is done to the crops by insects.

10. Prospects of the season not very encouraging. Food stocks are reported to be sufficient for the present. More rains are wanted to bring up the grass and help sowing in certain parts.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle are healthy. Water and fodder are reported to be scarce in certain parts. Cattle are fed on date and other leaves in Honnavalli and Kibbanahalli villages of the Tiptur Taluk and on "*ala*" and "*arlee*" leaves in some parts of the Sira and Maddagiri Taluks.

MYSORE.

8. Market fairly well supplied.

9. Standing crops, such as ragi, cholum, togari, gingelly, mulberry, ballar, castor and paddy, are reported to be fair in parts of Mysore, Hunsur, T. Narsipur, Heggaddevankote, Yedatore, Nanjangud and Malvalli; while the dry crops are reported to be withering in parts of Nagamangala, Krishnarajpete, Mandya, Gundlupet, Seringapatam and Chamrajnagar for want of rain. Lands are being ploughed and made ready in parts of Hunsur for sowing horse gram and wild gingelly. Cholum and gingelly in parts of Gundlupet and Malvalli. Kar-ragi in parts of Seringapatam and sugar-cane in parts of Krishnarajpete are being harvested.

10. Prospects of the season not encouraging want of rain for the standing crops is much felt in all the taluks. Food stocks are reported to be sufficient except in parts of Hunsur, Gundlupet and Nanjangud where the stock is reported to be running short.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water and fodder available in all parts except in parts of Nagamangala, Gundlupet and Nanjangud where fodder is reported to be getting scanty.

HASSAN.

8. Market well supplied.

9. Standing crops are reported to be withering in most parts of Arsikere and Channarayapatna for want of rain. Elsewhere they are reported to be in fairly good condition. Gingelly is being harvested in parts of Channarayapatna and it is reported that in some parts of this taluk, some damage is caused to the crops by locusts. Transplantation of paddy is still going on in parts of Manjarabad, Arkalgud and Hole-Narsipur.

10. Prospects fair generally. Food stocks are available. Rain is required everywhere but more particularly in the taluks of Hassan, Arsikere and Channarayapatna.

11. Public health generally good. Small-pox is reported to be prevalent in some parts of the Channarayapatna Taluk and the Alur Sub-Taluk.

12. Cattle generally healthy, but reported to be in feeble condition in Arsikere and Channarayapatna owing to insufficient fodder and pasturage. Water generally and fodder in the remaining taluks available. Throat disease ("*Metre roga*") is reported to prevail in some parts of the Alur Sub-Taluk.

SHIMOGA.

8. Market well supplied, but prices high.

9. Ragi, great millet, horse gram and chillies are being sown. The standing crops, *viz.*, paddy, sugar-cane, areca, ragi and great millet are reported to be in good condition, but they want rain very badly.

10. Prospects depend on an early fall of rain. Food stocks sufficient for the present.

11. Public health good. Cholera is reported to prevail in parts of Honnali, Shikarpur, Sorab and Sagar.

12. Cattle are healthy. Water and fodder are available.

KADUR.

8. Market fairly supplied.

9. Ragi, paddy, ballar, gingelly, togari in Tarikere and paddy in Chikmagalur are being sown. Standing crops of sugar-cane and coffee in Koppa are in a good condition; sugar-cane, paddy and ragi in Chikmagalur are in a fair condition and paddy, ragi, ballar, togari, maize, gingelly, green gram and black gram in Kadur and the young crops of the Tarikere Taluk are reported to be fading. While in parts of Kadur for want of rain no ragi or any other crop is yet sown. Reports are received from Koppa and Sringeri that in certain parts arecanut crop is beginning to be affected by "*Kole roga.*" In the malnad there is hardly any rain for transplantation of paddy. The raiyats fear that the paddy crop will fail if the usual heavy rains do not come early.

10. Prospects not encouraging. Rain is badly wanted throughout. Food stocks are available in all the taluks and they are reported to be sufficient.

11. Public health good.

12. Cattle are reported to be healthy in all the taluks. Fodder is available in all the taluks, except at Kadur where it continues to be scanty.

CHITALDRUG.

8. Market well supplied.

9. The standing dry crops are reported to be withering for want of rain in all the taluks. It is reported that crops are affected by pests to some extent in parts of Challakere, Hiriyur and Hosdurga.

10. Prospects uncertain. Food stocks are reported to be sufficient for the present.

11. Public health generally good.

12. Cattle healthy. Water sufficient for the present. Fodder is getting scarce in parts of Challakere, Hiriyur, Hosdurga and Davangere.

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